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Sir:

In response to the Office Action (Restriction Requirement) mailed July 2, 2002, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute, without traverse, the Group II claims (claims 5-30), drawn to a scanning probe microscopy system for working with an object having a work surface, classified in class 250, subclass 306.

As noted in Applicant's Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, the application as filed had 90 claims, including numerous misnumbered claims. Applicant canceled what would have been claims 5 through 90 had they been numbered correctly, and added claims 91 through 120. Thus, the pending claims were numbered 1-4 and 91-120, and we note the Examiner has renumbered them as claims 1-34.

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We believe that this renumbering should make it much easier to track the claims,
and we thank the Examiner for his efforts.

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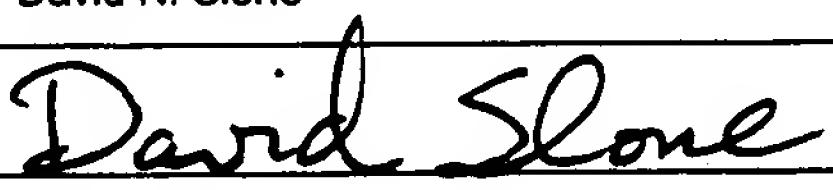
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